(c) whether during the period of President's Rule in J & K Government would resort to appropriate amendments of laws to meet the demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) to (c) The West Pakistan refugees in J & K have been representing to the State Government and also to the Central Government from time to time demanding that those who migrated from West Pakistan on the eve of Partition and allowed to reside in Jammu and Kashmir should be declared as the permanent residents of the State under the Jammu and Kashmir Constitution.

In a judgement delivered on 20-2-87, the Supreme Court had suggested that to set right the anomalous position, it is upto the legislature of the State of J & K to take action to amend relevant State laws. Under the existing provisions, they do not enjoy certain rights which are otherwise available to the permanent residents of J & K. In the eyes of prevailing laws, they have not sustained any legal injury.

Missing Constables of M.P. Special Armed Force

4016. SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some constables of 14th Madhya Pradesh Special Armed Force are missing since 12th July, 1976;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have not paid pension, gratuity etc. to their families till date;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether compensation has been paid by the Government to the families of the such persons;

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(g) whether it is also a fact that Government have received representation from Members of Parliament in this regard; and

(h) if so, what action has been taken thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED) : (a) and (b) The State Government of Madhya Pradesh has reported that no constable of the 14th Battalion of SAF is missing. However, one constable, N69 Shri Govind Singh, was discharged from service on 15-1-1977 after being found unauthorizedly absent from duty.

(c) to (f) Since the constable, N69 Govind Singh, was removed from service, no compensation or pension/gratuity, etc., was paid to members of his family.

(g) No representation is reportedly available with the State Government.

(h) Since constable Govind Singh was discharged from service due to his wilful absence, the question of taking any other action does not arise.

Gelatine Stick Rifles seized in Bombay

4017. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report published in the 'Indian Express' of August 10, 1993 under the caption 'Gelatine sticks rifles seized in Bombay';

(b) whether it is a fact that gelatine sticks and detonators were discovered in an imported car parked near Morarji Mansion in Bombay;

(c) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(d) whether the Bombay and Calcutta bomb blasts have any link with a massive bomb blast at State headquarters of the RSS, Madras on August 8, 1993;

(e) whether Government have made any enquiry in this regard, if so, with what results; and

(f) what security measures were taken at Madras to safeguard the life and property of the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per information furnished by the State Government of Maharashtra, a Toyota Motor Car No. MMU-8626 belonging to one Shri Ali Lokhandwala residing at Morarji Man-

sion, Dorabsha Lane, Bombay-400 026 was searched on 9-8-93 when 9 Gelatine sticks and 16 fusewires attached with detonators were found below the left front seat of the said car. During the search of the dicky of the Car one handbill was found having the address of one notorious wanted criminal, Salim Talwar @ Salim Mistry. The Gelatine sticks have trade mark as 'DANGER' Rajasthan Explosives and Chemicals Ltd. A case under Section 4 and 5 of the Explosives Act has been registered and the owner of the Car viz. Shri Ali Nawas Lokhandwala has been arrested on 9-8-93. Further investigation is in progress.

(d) and (e) Investigation of the Bombay bomb blast case is being done by the Maharashtra State Police. The State Police is being assisted by a Task Force comprising of senior officers of CBI, and Central Intelligence Agencies, in the investigation. So, far, no linkage between the Bombay, Calcutta and Madras blasts has come to notice.

(f) Under the Constitution, 'Public order' and 'Police' are State subjects. The primary responsibility for safeguarding the life and property of the people, thus, directly devolves on the State Government.

Report of the Jain Agarwal Committee

4018. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the two-member Committee comprising of Justice Jain and Justice Agarwal set up to examine affidavits relating to November, 1984 riots has submitted its report;

(b) if so, what are the main recommendations of the Committee;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Committee has recommended severe action against 298 dishonest police officials for fuelling burking of crime;

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(e) what action Government have taken or propose to take on each of the recommendation of the Committee; and

(f) whether Government propse to lay the report of the Committee on the Table of the House?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED) : (a) Yes, Sir. The two member Committee submitted its report on 30th July, 1993.

(b) The Committee has emphasised the importance of honest and painstaking investigation as the pillar of our criminal administration system. For improving the quality of investigation, the Committee has inter-alia recommended introduction of refresher courses, supervision by DCP over the SHOs and ACPs, regular liaison between prosecution and police, random checking of investigation by DCP, linking investigative ability with promotion, rewards for good investigation, setting up a monitoring cell in the office of Commissioner of Police to monitor judgements for follow-up action and full support to the riot cell to complete its investigative work.

(c) and (d) The Committee has made adverse comments against police officials in 249 affidavits examined by the Delhi Administration and sent to Police Commissioner for departmental action. The number of police officials involved in these affidavits is being ascertained on an affidavit to affidavit basis by Police Commissioner and so far 62 delinquent officials have been identified. Another 56 affidavits are under examination with Delhi Administration.

(e) The Report has been received only recently and is under examination.

(f) No, Sir.

Single number Lotteries

4019. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) how many companies are running Single number lotteries in different States;

(b) whether they are licenced to do so, what is the total amount of prizes as well as the collection; and

(c) what are the details, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED) : (a) to (c) The Central Government does not maintain any statistics relating to the number and nature of lotteries conducted in the country. The State Governments are competent to run their own lotteries as well as to regulate running of private lotteries in their areas.